

1890.

The New Year Ushered in With Feasting.

KUTNER &amp; GOLDSTEIN'S BANQUET.

Colonel Hogan's Champagne Luncheon to Luck—The Pillrollers' and Tailors' Ball Game.

The following are the positions:

violence at the hands of the Tailors, who suspected that professional etiquette made him lean towards the Pillrollers in his decisions. He was succeeded by Dr. Summers, who did not appear to be very well posted on the rules of the game, and the warm discussions between him and the players furnished great amusement to the on-lookers.

At one stage of the game the Tailors claimed a "ball" on the part of the Pillrollers' pitcher.

"What's a ball?" asked the umpire.

The crowd shouted with laughter, and twelve men and a small boy fell off the bleaching-benches.

In the Tailors' line there were only six tailors, Messrs. Siams, Johnson, and Porter being players. They sustained the reputation of the craft by playing a good game.

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Pillrollers. Tailors.

Kirk. . . . . Pitcher. . . . . Winchell.

Williams. . . . . Catcher. . . . . Tarrant.

Thompson. . . . . First base. . . . . Siams.

Monroe. . . . . Second base. . . . . Duncan.

Barks. . . . . Third base. . . . . Thompson.

Messing. . . . . Shortstop. . . . . Johnson.

Stoecker. . . . . Right field. . . . . Parnell.

Colson. . . . . Left field. . . . . Porter.

W. T. Barks. . . . . Center field. . . . . Hickman.

Rus.

Pillrollers. Colson 1, Kirk 4, Moore 1, W. T. Barks 1, Messing 2, Thompson 2, Barks 1, L. Barks 2, Tarrant 2, Siams 1, Monroe 1, Johnson 1, Hickman 1, Total 15.

The Masquerade Ball.

The masquerade ball given at Riggs Theatre on New Year's eve was largely attended, and the festivities were prolonged until 2 A. M.

The following were the prizes:

Handsome costume, Prince of Carnaval, a plump dressing-gown, Miss Annie, a diamond-studded diamond lady-hand-painted for Miss Bales; best dressed gentleman, Prince of Carnaval, pair gold gloves-buckles C. S. Marshall; group of three, razzle dazzle trio, \$10.

O. and R. Smith and Fred Packard.

RAISIN DRYERS.

They Can Be Made at Home at Small Cost.

REPUBLICAN: I saw a few weeks ago in your columns an invitation to the colonists to give to the public through the medium of your new paper some ideas on drying and packing grapes.

I have waited patiently, hoping some one more experienced than I would send a communication by which I might profit. But as they have failed to respond, I am impelled to write my observations, trusting others will keep the ball rolling; for certainly an exchange of ideas will be beneficial to all of us.

THE SECOND CHOR.

We have had it clearly demonstrated in the last few years that our second crop of Muscats cannot be successfully cured in the sun. So we small farmers must look around for a cheap method of drying by artificial heat. The Japs vineyardists are already provided for by the Blatchley dryer, which, I believe, is very satisfactory. But it stands to reason that a farmer with but twenty, or even a forty-acre tract, could not afford a dryer costing from \$3000 to \$4000.

Most have tried to solve the problem by burning stoves in out-houses, with but poor success (it success can be poor), burning the grapes near the stove, while these further removed from the heat likewise.

But I know of a few dryers through the colonies which are as successful in effect as the more expensive Blatchley dryer. These dryers are all built on nearly the same principle, viz.—a tight building of any size or shape, according to desire, or reeds with furnace underneath of brick—with pipes leading back through the building and out again to the pipes used as the chimney.

THE Foothills.

They Are Moving to the Front in the Matter of Horticulture.

Colonel Hogan sat at the head of the table and John Reichert, his wife, wife and child; Taylor, Abin and wife, S. B. Waite and wife, Miss Nellie King, Miss O. O. Bond, Miss M. C. Barnes, Mrs. M. Phillips, Messrs. J. W. Ferguson, W. D. Tupper, W. D. Johnson, W. C. Pedlar, D. A. Robertson, C. B. Whittaker, J. D. Morgan, Gutzschhau, Louis Harlan, Emilie Gutzschhau, C. A. Beulah, Dave Newmark, Jake Goodman, Charles Becker, T. M. Bentwood, W. P. Spratt, Charles Prudon, J. A. Walton, W. O. Aldridge, Edward Pugh, B. C. Trussey, Joshua Spongolis, Ben Simons, Ida Harris, John Paul, J. J. Morrissey, Percy Buck, John Daly, J. McCollom, Harry Wiles, Master Sidney Wakefield, John Gorce, Ira Husted and E. Miller.

Colonel Hogan's Banquet.

Colonel Hogan gave a sumptuous banquet to a few of his friends last Tuesday night, and it was voted one of the most enjoyable of this or any other season.

The menu was prepared by the incomparable Ferrara, and was as follows:

Eastern oysters on the half-shell.

Aspic, cold soupe, roulade foie gras aux olives.

Salad of chicken, meat turkey.

Aspic, fruits rum clementine.

Wines, Pommery, Greve.

The health of the firm was liberally toasted, and the hearty response.

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Colonel Hogan sat at the head of the table and John White at the right. There were also present Mr. W. H. Mitchell and J. B. Campbell, Jr., of the Examiner, J. C. Gandy and Wright, D. B. Bresen of the Republican and Doc Bresen of the Examiner.

Toasts were offered and responded to as follows: "To our distinguished host, Colonel Hogan."

The Colonel, in replying feelingly to the toast, said:

"Fellow-citizens: I made all in speech, and little versed in the set phrases of peace, for since these arms had so often tested my strength, they have used their earnest action in the tented—then—in the marble counter—and therefore little of what I made my cause in speaking for myself, and by your leave, I will say, here's hoping you'll have a Happy New Year, in the words of the immortal Richelieu, 'une bonne année heureuse.'"

At a late stage of the proceedings, John White responded to a toast as follows:

"By Gad, salt! I'm a g'dn' man, salt!

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My speech, salt! by Gad,

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Prizes pay from \$200 to \$400 per acre and up in Fresno county. Anybody can take care of a peach orchard who is willing to work, and there is no easier way to acquire a fortune.

Fresno county contains over \$400,000 acres of land, but only 1,074,708 are assessed, the remainder being either in the hands of the government or state, and mostly mountainous, timber or mineral land.

Within the past eight years it is estimated that over 700,000 people have moved into Kansas and taken up permanent residence there. Kansas will cut a very wide swath in the next electoral college.

Owing to the stormy weather the Pacific Coast mail service has become demoralized. Trains are blocked on account of washouts, and one break in the line is hardly repaired before others occur.

For the three quarters ending September 30th over \$11,000,000 worth of manufactured articles were shipped into Canada from the United States. Protection has enabled American manufacturers to compete with their English rivals in British provinces where transportation facilities are not against us.

Alfalfa can be raised upon to yield from \$40 to \$80 per acre net annually in the irrigated section of Fresno county. The irrigated section is not very largely in excess of 100,000 acres yet, but is capable of being enlarged to ten times that area. In addition to alfalfa, grapes and all kinds of tree fruits, nuts, vegetables, etc., grow to perfection upon our irrigated lands.

The Florida orange crop is not as large as was anticipated earlier in the season. Southern California has more than an average crop of very fine fruit, while the northern citrus belt also makes a fair showing. Fresno shipped the first oranges of the season about three weeks ago. They were seedlings, but very fine fruit notwithstanding that fact.

The style of architecture in Fresno business houses is far ahead of that found in any other city of equal size on the Pacific Coast. The show windows on our business streets are equal to Market or Kearny streets in San Francisco, both in size and display. The metropolis wins, however, on having the greatest number.

The Chinese restriction act has been greatly decried and abused, and persistently declared impopular by enemies of the present administration, but prior to its going into effect the monthly arrivals of Chinese averaged about 1800, whereas they have only averaged 200 per month for the first eleven months of 1880. Let the gate be closed a little tighter, in the prevailing sentiment in California.

Nur bearing trees set along the boundries of the farm make substantial as well as ornamental bearings for the fastening of barbed wire fencing. As the trees attain large proportions they yield profitable crops of nuts and also afford shade for stock or the weary traveler. Lines of trees extending north and south do no injury to crops on account of shading them, while in many cases they are beneficial in shutting the rays of the morning sun off from tender plants while the frost is on.

BLACK walnut used to be one of the most common forest trees found north of the Ohio river, but to-day it is exceedingly scarce, and clubs of good size command fabulous prices. In the San Joaquin valley the black walnut tree will attain a diameter of over two feet in from twelve to sixteen years, and no better legacy can be left by father to son than a grove of growing walnut trees. Young men can become wealthy at mid-age by planting ten or twenty acres to walnut trees and attending to them. The beauty of this business is that there is no danger of it ever being overdone.

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An interesting case is now agitating church and newspaper circles in Erie, Pennsylvania. The editor of a daily paper started the racket by issuing a Sunday morning edition. The church to which he belongs threatens to cast him out if he persists in publishing a Sunday newspaper. The statement is based on the records kept in the principal cities of the country.

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A SOUTH AMERICAN NEW YEAR'S STORY, BY HENRY CLAY LUKINS.

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UCH a South American story, only great and grand waste would be without its scenes, is a career without episodes.

No such barren existence, however, has been mine.

On the contrary, it past is shaped up and running over with events of great interest, portions of which now, as my scenes approach, grow luminous and assume shapes that are startling in their fidelity.

From the diary of a good woman's life, I have torn two pages. One was written in a mist of Doubt; the other beneath the glorious radiance of Delight. After years of uncertainty, happiness has become to her a permanent home of promise.

What these two pages reveal of truth, only

guessed at before, intensifies a memory that will abide with me until the grave's impulsive shadows are lifted and dispelled.

The scenes of this narrative are "on" for

the present.

At the same time I had reached my

third-seventh year as the thirty-fifth particle of south latitude. The bustle-back, pinwheel city of Montevideo very comfortably housed me among its one hundred thousand inhabitants. There were, probably, many of us at that time, although I never had a whole opportunity to verify the local census. One afternoon, as I stood at the portal of the hospitable English club, I somewhat idly tried to count the people going back and forth, crossing and re-crossing the Plaza Constitucion; but I soon grew weary of the monotonous tramp and sat down, leaning back against the wall, and gazing thoughtfully out over the city. It was, probably, I fanned about, went deliberately upstairs, and gossiped with some grimy brother coneywites who had been here before that quarter of the world was quite ready for them.

I could not speak the every day language of my temporary fellow citizens; yet friends were plentiful, skies fair, the society charming, and December's pale beats warmly at eighty degrees or thereabouts.

The previous month, and, in fact, the last week in it, found me loitering at the Brazilian capital. There I had awaited the arrival of a steamer from Rio. His mercantile enterprises destined him to Paraguay and Bahia. That he escaped a number of narrow, nail-splitting perils, which had given me a toss and turn beside of what a hard blow off shore usually is in the vicinity of Cabo Frio.

When we were again together, I quickly detected a change in George Hamilton. He seemed preoccupied—his mind far removed from either business or pleasure. I had marked out a grand plan for sightseeing in his company, but he took little or no apparent interest in the detailed programme. Tijuca, the magnificent, failed to lure him, and Par, Asuncion, and lofty Coronado shared with the renowned Jardim Botanico and its avenue of palms a neglect that was surprising. On the voyage to Rio, New York, he had talked fondly of those far-off and wondrous of tropical nature that I was now completely enthralled by his indifference. During his youth he had spent several years in the Atlantic provinces of Brazil. His father had been one of the first and most successful railway contractors in that opulent empire. Besides having a thorough acquaintance with the coast cities of South America, no native spoke Portuguese or Spanish more fluently than George Hamilton. As I had depended upon his oft-repeated voluntary promise to be my guide and friend around Rio, the disappointment was not little.

Aboard ship our livings had been "manual."

Our after hour was spent from the stockings' heel to the top of the head in a series of strenuous exercises of almost summer lands. Thrusting its way between the superb clusters of islands, known to all West Indian sailors as the Caribe, our vessel, in succession, passed the immense deltas of Orinoco and Amazon. From Braganca afloat to the celebrated Magellan straits, every bay and headland was an open book to



A CHANGE IN GEORGE HAMILTON.

This was spoken coldly and with formal directness. A curious light shone in his eyes, which were deep set and lustrous. The plume of blue moon rising above their clouds left its silvery track in the water, and, dancing on the waves, threw Hamilton's expressive face into strong profile. He abruptly turned from the window, and now came and stood by the table where I sat, as it were, in judgment of actions which brought an upward of emotion no longer possible for him to control.

When he spoke again it was with forced gravity.

"No, I shall not tell! From strangers, perhaps, you may learn my really strange story. It is a veritable drama, now being acted. The leading character is, I have accidentally

### LA SERENA.

"Good night, Hamilton," I exclaimed, impulsively. "To-morrow my parting words will be, 'Good voyage and good luck.' As you are speeded away, I shall often speak of you."

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R. P. Mac came down from Madera last evening.

Mrs. J. M. Keck went to Modesto yesterday on a visit to relatives.

The delayed mail from the south reached Fresno on this morning's train.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Patterson arrived last evening from San Francisco and are at the Grand Central.

E. Schamp and family left on the noon express yesterday for San Francisco, where they will make their future home.

The Hinglee and the Grand Central Hotels gave splendid dinners to their many patrons on New Year's evening.

Mrs. Emily Hellett, daughter of Dr. John Hellett of Mariposa county, left here for Merced yesterday on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. E. F. Selleck and children, accompanied by her mother-in-law, Mrs. S. E. Selleck, returned yesterday from San Francisco, where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Margaret Arnold began a suit for divorce from Alfred P. Arnold in the Superior Court yesterday. Deserter is the cause alleged.

W. R. Bibby, the Deputy School Superintendent, was released from custody last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Johnson of Santa Cruz, having gone on his bond for \$500.

Thomas Killey accidentally cut his right thumb off yesterday with the hand saw in Porteau's agricultural works. The wound was dressed by Dr. Powell.

A business meeting of the members of the '89 Social Club will be held in the parlor of the Native Sons, over the Farmers' Bank, this evening.

Yesterday two loads of live turkeys and chickens passed through Fresno on the way from Kansas City to San Francisco. The coops were loaded on flatcars to a height of twelve feet.

Rev. S. A. Thompson, presiding elder of Fresno District, M. E. Church, will preach in Oleander next Sunday at 11 a. m. and in the Fowler Presbyterian Church at 7 p. m.

Mr. T. N. Thornton of San Francisco, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Vanderlip, returned to his home yesterday.

Mrs. M. E. Alrich will commence a course of progressive lectures next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Church's Hall. A few psychometric delineations will be given after the lecture.

Edward Knaup of the San Joaquin Valley and Mining Company informed me that the track to the mine is open again. The company is now in position to supply everyone in use.

The ladies of the Christian Church are arranging for a very interesting mission of entertainment next Sunday night. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

The Central Colonel W. C. T. U. will hold its regular meeting at the Union Church, on 8th avenue, Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. ANNE MACKS, Pres.

Miss REED TAYLOR, Sec.

A. J. Wiener has bought the stock of dry goods and notions formerly owned by G. L. Taylor, in the Fresno Loan and Savings Bank building, and has transferred the same to his large stores on street. Look out for his big "ad." to-morrow.

There will be a stated meeting of Fresno Lodge, No. 27, F. and A. M., at Masonic Temple this evening at 7 o'clock. Each member is expected to attend. All Master Masons in good standing are fraternally invited.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bell gave an enjoyable "Solomon Grundy" party to their young friends at their home, 921 O street, last Wednesday evening. The different games lasted until late in the evening, when prizes for the most expert and the poorest players were awarded.

A horse attached to a buggy without a driver was found wandering on the sidewalk opposite the Christian Church on Fresno last night. The animal and vehicle were found in 10th street, where they are now awaiting the arrival of their owner.

The Unity Society will be entertained with a lecture by Dr. Russell next Saturday at 11 o'clock at Riga's theater. The public is invited to attend, and the seats are free. The object of this society, as set forth in its platform, "Is to do good, promote virtue, and lessen vice." Some people call this religion. COMMITTEE.

Fresno's two Superior Judges, J. R. Campbell and M. K. Harris, will exchange positions for the remainder of their terms on the first of next month. Judge Campbell will then preside in Department No. 2 and Judge Harris in Department No. 1. The change is made so that the judges may become more versed, etc., etc.

In the complete list of marriages in this country for the past year, which was published ahead of all competition in last Tuesday's issue of the *Republican*, there was accidentally omitted that of John F. and Elizabeth J. Redfern, May 25, 1888. Mr. Murphy's friends do not like to see him left out of the heralded procession, as he is a man who always keeps well up in the front in whatever undertaking he may be engaged in.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" to-night.

The always new "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be produced with new scenery, new bloodcurdling new effects, new actors and new super at Riga's theater to-night by Griswold's unexcelled troupe. The *Almanac* Republican says of the play: "H. E. Griswold's Uncle Tom's Cabin drew an immense crowd to the Academy of Music last night. It is singular how this worn piece draws and how the audience laugh over it. There is no necessity of speaking at large of the presentation last night. It pleased the huge audience greatly. Tony was good, so was Uncle Tom, so was Eva, so was Marks, so were the dogs and singing. It was a good entertainment, and the audience, which had come to laugh, laughed heartily and were satisfied."

A Fancy Salary.

Editor REPUBLICAN: How much salary for personal services did Dr. Leach receive in 1888 as Hospital Physician? Could the services of any physician be secured for less?

One Two Pay Taxes.

A fire was discovered between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning in the rear of Greenwood's billiard saloon, on J street. The fire was extinguished by the Volunteer Fire Department before any material damage was done. The flames originated in a backroom used for the storage of coal oil and other things. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Terry Homestead.

John Hastings, an old resident and raiser west of the city, filed papers with the County Clerk yesterday against C. G. Gayle, administrator of the estate of Sarah Althea Terry and Clinton H. Terry, to foreclose a \$7,000 mortgage on block 132, Fresno. Nourse & Short are plaintiff's attorneys. The property referred to is the Terry home on Tuolumne and N streets.

A Denial.

Dr. Leach reports a few cases of common influenza at present in Fresno; no more, however, than are usually found at this time of the year. The disease does not exhibit any of the malignant symptoms of La Grippe. That disease cannot develop in the balmy air of Fresno, where the orange crop is now being harvested.

Wright Iron Range Company of St. Louis, Mo., are meeting with fine success in the sales of their premium Home Comfort Wrought Steel ranges in this county, having received the third carload within the last six weeks. d&w

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In the report in last evening's Expositor of the banquet given by Colonel Ho-

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to the reported fraternal J. P. Cosgrave is reported as having used the following language:

"Did any of us ever strike Colonel Howard for dollars? What we received, and did we ever ask him for an Apollonian hour without money, and without price, but that he gave?"

Neither Mr. Cosgrave nor anyone else present gave utterance to a sentiment so atrocious and so repugnant to the tenets of respectable journalism.

GALLANT FIRE BOYS.

The Club is ordered Not to complain,

But to Gird Up its Loins for the Conflict.

THE ANSWER PLEASSES THEM.

They Protest Against the Stars of the Expositor.

Editor REPUBLICAN: The article in yesterday evening's Expositor in regard to the fire which before last is misleading and seems intended to cast a slur on the men of this city.

In the first place, the time taken to get the apparatus from the house after the alarm was sounded was just three minutes, as recorded by the night watchman who responded to the alarm.

In the third place Mr. Tex Baker did not extinguish the fire, but good guard over the cigar counter in the front room of the building.

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